

**CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2018**

The Regular Meeting of the Township Committee was held on the above date at the time of 6:00 p.m. Committeemen Dennis, Pelura, Dowe, Newton and Brown were present. Also present at this meeting were M. Stout-CMFO/Administrator, J. Proffitt- Clerk, G. Krivda-Police Chief, J. Santogrossi-Public Works Manager, S. Casaboon Engineer and A. Telsey-Solicitor.

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order and read the **Open Public Meeting Act**. He led the **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**. Mayor Brown requested everyone remain standing for a moment of silence in respect for the late President George H. W. Bush. **Roll call** was taken.

Mayor Brown welcomed everyone who was in the audience for the promotion of Dale VanNamee to Lieutenant in the Carneys Point Police Department. Mayor Brown read the resolution.

**RESOLUTION 2018-188
PROMOTION OF DALE VANNAMEE, JR. TO LIEUTENANT**

Mr. Newton made a motion to approve the promotion of Dale VanNamee to Lieutenant in the Carneys Point Police Department, seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

Chief Krivda mentioned some of the people in the audience such as former Carneys Point Police Chief Robert DiGregorio, retired Lt. Mike Colletti, retired Lt. Chuck Weigle, Prosecutor John Lenahan and his father former Committeeman Frank Krivda. He thanked the many family and friends who attended to take part of this great event. He went on to thank the Chiefs of Police Association for helping with the testing process. He thanked the Township Committee for allowing the Police Department to move forward. He Congratulated Dale VanNamee on his promotion. The Chief said to Lt. VanNamee you will be making many more decisions and mistakes are bound to be made but you are human. Learn from them and keep moving forward. Make decisions with integrity. Mr. Telsey administered the Oath of Office. After all the congratulations Lt. VanNamee his family and friends left the meeting room.

Mr. Dennis moved on to give his Committee Departmental report. He mentioned a meeting on December 11th with the paid ambulance. He mentioned two fire calls in the past week. He stressed fire safety this Holiday season.

Mr. Newton had no report for this meeting.

Mayor Brown said on November he attended the JIF Claims Committee and the regular monthly meeting. He continues to forward various training information to Department Heads. Mayor Brown said Dunns Park is decorated for Christmas in the park this Saturday. He said N. Broad St. has been paved. Lines and striping still has to be done. Atlantic Electric has been upgrading the electric lines and transformers around town. He said phase six, the last has been completed.

Mr. Dowe mentioned Lunch with Santa at the Fire House from 12 to 2 pm on Saturday, December 8th. That same night will be Christmas in the Park, with Santa arriving around 7:15

pm. There is also an event going on at the same time called "Fill the Ambulance". Bring a new/unwrapped toy to the park to fill the Ambulance. The Carneys Point Police Chaplin's will be taking them to A.I. DuPonts Children's Hospital. Mr. Dowe said on November 30th is the Courts safety meeting with Judge Witcher.

Mr. Pelura spoke of the upcoming Free Rabies Clinic in 2019. He said he will have more information as it gets closer. Mr. Dowe motioned to approve the committee reports, seconded by Mr. Newton and all were in favor.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion to approve the **Regular Committee meeting minutes from November 19, 2018**. Motion was made by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Newton and all were in favor with Mr. Dowe abstaining.

RESOLUTION 2018-189

TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE 1713-33-010-006

Mr. Dowe made the motion to approve the transfer of the old Friendly Tavern liquor license 1713-33-010-006 from Alan Gould receiver to Robert Domico, Salem Spirit Shoppes, LLC. Seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2018-190

APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE MAPSA GRANT

Mr. Dowe motioned to approve the submission of the Joint Application for Carneys Point and Penns Grove Municipal Alliance Grant. Seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2018-191

REFUND TAXES PAID FOR TOTAL DISABLED VETERAN

Motioned by Mr. Newton to authorize the Tax Collector to refund Block 44, Lot 6 for 100% Total Disabled Veteran Deduction, seconded by Mr. Dennis and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2018-192

REFUND FOURTH QUARTER OVERPAID TAXES

Mr. Newton made a motion to approve the refund for over paid 4th quarter taxes to various properties in the amount of \$4,363.71, seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2018-193

REFUND SUBSEQUENT TAXES PAID BY LIEN HOLDER

Motion was made by Mr. Newton to authorize the Tax Collector to refund Block 45, Lot 25 \$967.73 and Block 239, Lot 1.01 \$1,813.41, seconded by Mr. Pelura and a unanimous vote was taken.

Under **Correspondence** Mayor Brown mentioned the JIF Elected Official Liability Seminar at Nicolosi's in West Deptford on January 31st. Please make arrangements to attend.

Mayor Brown spoke of a letter sent from the FOP Labor Council regarding the Lieutenant Promotion.

There was an email from Atlantic Electric with plans to prune trees in Carneys Point over the winter and early spring. The vegetation management team will notify us of the work locations.

Lastly, Mayor Brown mentioned a letter from the Salem County Improvement Authority on the pricing for 2019. The cost for Municipal rates will be going up by 2%.

Old Business Mr. Pelura asked for an update on the street light on Robinson Road. Mayor Brown said he has not heard anything yet but he has spoken to the Electric Company about putting in one maybe two lights on that road. He said he will follow up with Burt Lopez.

Under New Business; The Mayor asked for a motion to authorize TRIAD to submit a NJ DEP Green Acres Application on behalf of Carneys Point Township. Mr. Pelura made the motion, seconded by Mr. Newton and all were in favor.

Mayor Brown discussed Senate Bill 2703/Assembly No 4497 for the legalizing personal use of cannabis. If and when it is approved there will be more information to report. He said he personally does not approve but, if approved by the State will have to keep an open mind. He said the Township has already been approached by a few companies who would like to come here and start a business. He said the Township will have to look at the broader picture.

Mrs. Stout addressed Chapter 56 Brush, Grass and Weeds and Ordinance 880 registration and maintenance of vacant/abandoned properties. She said she has been approached by the Housing Officer to have the committee review the ordinance and the fees for abandoned properties. He feels the fees for abandoned or vacant properties are high. Mayor Brown said review the enclosed ordinance so adjustments can be made in the new year. Mrs. Stout moved on to address the section on brush, grass and weeds. She was asked if the process could be simplified. The Health Officer said it needs to be streamlined. Mr. Telsey said he can explore what other towns do and put something together for review. Mr. Telsey said currently there are no authorizing legislation for vacant/abandoned houses fees.

Mr. Cosaboon said that our Public Works Department, a representative from NJDOT and himself met with the Laytons Lake Dam representatives for the first opening and check of the dam gate. This is done on a quarterly basis. The representatives from Laytons Lake gave a brief history of the workings of the gate and mentioned some trouble with leaking. Mr. Cosaboon feels this may be debris causing the leak.

Mr. Cosaboon moved on the address N. DuPont Road. He said they received authorization from the State to go out for bid but due to the late time in the year this will have to be done in the spring. The notice will be in the paper on December 19th and awarded at the second meeting in January. He spoke of the area at 106 N. DuPont. Mr. Cosaboon said the pip under the driveway may have collapsed causing the flooding. He said they will clean out the swales and perform a video of under the driveway. The pipe across the road is in good condition but not in a good pitch to allow proper flow. This can be fixed with some fill. A letter will be sent to the home owner with our findings.

On Route 48, Mr. Cosaboon said NJDOT did repair the whole but feels this is unstable due to not knowing where the water is coming from. Mayor Brown said the water was tested and it is not chlorinated.

Public Participations:

Martin Cleary of Broad St. asked if there is going to be any public meeting before the cannabis is brought here. Mayor Brown said if and when the public will be educated on the good and bad. Mr. Cleary said the residents should be able to vote on if they want it here. Mayor Brown said it

is with the State currently and has to be approved first there. Mr. Cleary said if the township is looking at the Ordinance for high grass, the Township should cut the grass in the ditch by his house. Mayor Brown said there are no plans to do that at this time. Mr. Cleary said the ditch overflowed during the past rain storm.

Diane Ford of Penns Ave in Deepwater spoke of the Flying J Truckstop. She said she attended a Planning Board meeting in September 2017 when they were looking at building a vehicle wash. She mentioned there about a three-foot fence around the detention pond. It should be higher to keep the kids out. They agreed and an eight-foot fence was put in its place. In the process they removed a wooden fence that acted as a sound barrier to the residents in Deepwater whose yards back the Truckstop. Mayor Brown said the paperwork was pulled and there is no mention of a wooden fence. Mr. Pelura said it should be on the initial set of plans. Mayor Brown told Ms. Ford he will send the Construction Official there.

Patrick Bomba of Hawks Bridge Road mentioned that on Woodland Ave. (between 540 and Cedar Crest) water is backed up and has been standing for about a week. He feels there could be a blockage.

June Shanks of 6th Ave. spoke of a house at 95 6th Ave with an inground pool in the back yard that is filled with water, not covered and contains black water. This has been a problem with misquotes, and the smell. Mayor Brown said he lives in the same area and has had in the past the Mosquito Commission put pellets to kill the mosquito larva. She said she has been working with the County Health Department but nothing has happened. Mayor Brown said the Housing Officer will be contacted to go there.

Clint Allen of Archer & Greiner who is the Attorney for the Redeveloper said he has been working with Brent Carneys on the Zoning Overlay for Route 40 area. Resolutions were supposed to be done at this meeting. Mayor Brown said they are to be discussed in Executive Session first then when we come out they will be voted on.

With no more comments or questions this portion was closed.

RESOLUTION 2018-194

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Dennis and seconded by Mr. Newton to reconvene into Executive Session, a unanimous vote was taken. The regular meeting ended at 7:00 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Dowe to reconvene in regular session, seconded by Mr. Newton and all was in favor. The regular meeting reconvened at 7:50 pm with the following items being addressed.

RESOLUTION 2018-195

AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONDITIONAL DESIGNATION AND INTERIM COST AGREEMENT BETWEEN CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP AND COURSE LANDING URE, LLC.

Motion was made by Mr. Newton to approve the conditional designation and interim cost agreement, seconded by Mr. Dennis and a unanimous vote was taken.

RESOLUTION 2018-196
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONDITIONAL DESIGNATION AND INTERIM
COST AGREEMENT BETWEEN CARNEYS POINT TOWNSHIP AND HARDING
HWY, LLC.

Motion was made by Mr. Newton to approve the conditional designation and interim cost agreement, seconded by Mr. Dennis and a unanimous vote was taken.

After a brief discussion a motion was made to authorize the termination of Karla Smith as the Housing Officer. Motioned on by Mr. Pelura, seconded by Mr. Dowe and all were in favor.

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Mr. Dowe to adjourn and seconded by Mr. Newton. Motion passed with three affirmative votes. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Approved: 12-19-2018


June Proffitt, Township Clerk